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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER ACTION PAPER NO.19,
ON NEW MATTER, DISCLOSURE, AND OBVIOUS
--And PERSONAL INTERVIEW 7-3-03

This is a full response to the Examiner Action
Paper No. 19, and

--The Personal Interview 7-3-03.

Responsively:

- (1) The Interview Report
--Summarizes the Interview
- (2) Correction of New Matter
--A Substitute Specification Identical to Original
- (3) Correction of Claims for Sufficient Disclosure
--Amended Claims now Original Matter Fully Defined
- (4) Correction of Claims for Non-Obviousness.
--Claims now Fully Distinct with added limitations

This Response has Four Parts (per Revised 37CFR 1.121):

- PART I. Introduction and Required Summaries
- PART II. Current Claims
- PART III. Current Specification
- PART IV. Remarks and Conclusions

PART I. INTRODUCTION AND REQUIRED SUMMARIES

1.0 Introduction

This Response is a full response to the Examiner Action
Paper No. 19,

-- and the Personal Interview July 3, 2003.

1.1 Summary of Examiner Interview

(1) APPLICANT appreciates the helpful comments of the
Examiner during the interview.

(2) APPLICANT pointed out:

(a) A Proposed Response:

The Specification and Claims will contain only
Original Matter. Further, in the "Oat-Soy EXAMPLE":

The Claimed: "MEAL-EQUIVALENT...MEAL REPLACEMENT...
CONVENTIONAL MEAL...APPETIZER, MAIN-COURSE, DESSERT...
CONTRASTING SEGMENTS...SIZE AND TYPE OF FOOD...
BALANCED NUTRITION..."
are specifically and inherently defined in the "EXAMPLE".

CLAIM 1 WILL NOW BE SO CLAIMED.

CLAIM 1 WILL BE THE ONLY INDEPENDENT CLAIM -- TO
EXPEDITE POSSIBLE ALLOWANCE.

(b) The terms "Meal Equivalent" and "Conventional
Meal...Courses Appetizer, Main-Course, and Dessert"...

are ALSO specifically defined in standard reference
textbooks: Webster Dictionary, and
Fannie Farmer Cookbook (pages 4-6).

(c) Prior Art cited teaches Snack Bars segmented flavors
--- not approximating Conventional Meal Courses and
not Balanced Nutrition and
not Contrasting Course Size and Food Types

(3) THE EXAMINER SUGGESTED --- Applicant should further
clarify the segments and their relation to each other. --
APPLICANT agreed to do this

1.1 Brief Summary of Corrections

Responsive to the Examiner Requirements:

(1) New Matter is corrected by entry of a Substitute Specification and Claims under 37CFR1.125, identical to the Original Submission...Added Prior Art is cited of record.

Further, the Current Claims are Amended with only Original Matter from the Original Specification, and so entered per Revised 37CFR1.121.

(2) The Claims, Rejected under 35USC103 as Obvious, are Corrected by added limitations -- defined and specified in the Original Disclosure -- and clearly not taught or suggested by the Prior Art.

(3) The Claims, Rejected under 35USC112 First Paragraph as based on Insufficient Disclosure with undefined terms, are Corrected by using terms specifically defined in the Original Disclosure under "Summary of Invention" and the "Oat-Soy Example" -- and pointed in the next section.

1.2 Details of Claim Corrections:

(1) Claim 1 is now the only Independent Claim.

(2) Responsively, Claim 1 is now amended with terms taken directly from the Original Disclosure, specifically:

From the "Summary of Invention", and "Oat-Soy EXAMPLE" these terms are now claimed (Underlines are my stress):

"MEAL EQUIVALENT FOOD BAR...Oat-Soy EXAMPLE...

"This example is designed to approximate a meal-equivalent food bar ...500 calories...in a 55-15-30(%Cal) distribution of Carbohydrates, Proteins, and Fats, (Balanced Nutrition)...the Oat-Soy Mix is divided into (three) portions...quarter for Appetizer, half for Main-Course, quarter for Dessert... to form the Bar-Common ingredients, to which the segment-appropriate ingredients are added:

"Vinegar added to Appetizer, Vegetable added to the Main-Course, Apple added to the Dessert (segments of Contrasting Food Types: texture, color, flavors)..."